

# State of North Carolina



BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE  
GOVERNOR

## INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

2011

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the United States Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have declared November 14-18, 2011, as International Education Week in observance of the many important contributions of international education to our nation's peace and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, international education and exchange includes thousands of public and private programs, campus-based and national, to promote the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders; these include study abroad programs, citizen and scholarly exchanges, foreign students on United States campuses, area and foreign language studies, and global approaches to United States education; and

WHEREAS, by participating in such programs, our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures and are more prepared to succeed in a global environment; and

WHEREAS, we live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security; and

WHEREAS, considering these challenging economic times, the importance of preparing citizens for engaging in a global economy is of paramount importance and can be fostered through educational and cultural exchange; and

WHEREAS, through international education, the United States can establish a foundation for dialogue and partnership with the rest of the world and create the conditions for lasting global peace, security, and well-being;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 14-18, 2011, as "INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK" in North Carolina and I call upon the citizens and institutions of this state to participate in celebrating this week and to recognize the importance of international education in our lives and communities.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Beverly Eaves Perdue".

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-seventh day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-sixth.